# Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission City of Jasper, Indiana December 2, 2014

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 2, 2014, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Mike Jones, Robin Norris, Pat Thyen, Gary Moeller, Linda Kahle, Selena Vonderheide, Becky Beckman, Kyle Rupert, Becky Hickman and Beth Seidl. **Commission Members Absent**: Sherry Monesmith: **Staff Members Present**: Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Karen Grewe, Corina Mack, Emily Colucci, and Donna Schepers. **City Attorney:** Renée Kabrick **Guests in attendance:** Herald Reporter John Streetman, WITZ News Director Jim O'Neal, and Steve Messmer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

<u>Selena Vonderheide</u> moved to approve the minutes of the November meeting. <u>Gary Moeller</u> seconded. Motion passed 10-0.

# **City Financial Statement**

<u>Pat Thyen</u> moved to approve the claims and financial statement as presented. <u>Kyle Rupert</u> seconded. Motion passed 10-0.

No Public Business.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# **Director's Report/Performing Arts**

Kit reported.

- November was a very busy month. Flat Stanley and Dino Light school performances were sold out. Two Dino Light school performances were cancelled due to a school snow day.
- Ballroom with a Twist public performance was well received.
- Holy Family and Precious Blood schools will be having a combined Christmas show at the Arts Center this week.
- The Mark O'Connor Christmas performance is selling well.

# **Building and Structure Report**

Doreen reported.

After last month's meeting, where Doreen requested permission to seek quotes for new
computers, Cale Knies informed her that the State has a contract with Dell for computers. The
City of Jasper, i.e., JCAC doesn't have to go through the bidding process for new computers due
to this contract. The JCAC will save money on the computers by using the State contract, thus
allowing the purchase of a stand-alone server. Doreen has been in contact with Brian Scott, IT
consultant, who is working with the City to standardize all computers and phones.

### **Education Report**

Donna reported.

• A Canvas and Cabernet painting class will be held on Dec. 9 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. The class is filling up quickly.

#### **Visual Arts Report**

Emily reported.

Carrie Ann Schumacher's exhibit was gorgeous. It was very well received. A lot of people came
to the Gallery to view this exhibit.

- VAC is exhibiting its work in the Gallery this month. The reception is this Friday, Dec. 5 from 7:00

   9:00 p.m.
- Crisis Connection contacted the Arts Center regarding an exhibit of some paintings from inmates at the Branchville Correctional Facility from Dec. 1 through Dec. 12. They are currently on display in the Gallery as well. Crisis Connection will hold a silent auction for the paintings beginning Wed., Dec. 10.
- The winter class schedule is coming along and will be out soon.
- A call for artists for 2016 has been sent out.
- The kiln has died. Clay classes are very popular, and the kiln has been used a lot. The kiln was hobby grade and was purchased used. Emily distributed kiln quotes to the board and asked permission to purchase a new kiln in 2015. It is in the budget. These kiln quotes are for commercial grade kilns. The life expectancy for a new kiln is 20 to 25 years. Quotes received were from Amaco Brickyard Ceramics for \$4,327.19, Clay King for \$4,419.88 and Donker Studio for \$5,200.00. After some discussion, Mike Jones moved to purchase the AMACO from Brickyard Ceramics for \$4327.19. Becky Beckman seconded. Motion passed 10-0.

# **Project Coordinator Report**

Corina reported.

Busy working on events for next year and the mural.

### **Old Business**

Selena Vonderheide gave a 'Next Act' update. The group continues to meet regularly. It
received a \$100,000 grant from the Dubois County Community Foundation. The group met with
Indiana Landmarks regarding additional funding opportunities. Mike Jones and Kit Miracle
mentioned that a management agreement between 'Next Act' and JCAC is premature until the
building has been purchased and an endowment has been established.

# **New Business**

- Mike Jones reported the Library Board has a meeting this Thursday with Universal Design.
   Information will be shared regarding the 3 possible future sites of the library. They have invited the JCAC to attend. Also a Hoosier Desk full building tour has been scheduled for Saturday at 8:00 a.m. with the Mayor and Ken Sternberg. The JCAC board members and staff are invited to attend.
- Mike Jones distributed the dates for 2015 City Council meetings and asked each board member to sign up to attend one.
- Mike Jones asked for volunteers for a nominating committee for officers for 2015. Robin Norris
  and Linda Kahle volunteered. The election will take place at the start of the JCAC meeting in
  January.
- Becky Beckman announced she is resigning from the JCAC board effective 12-31-14. She
  appreciates the Mayor appointing her and thanked the board for letting her serve. She said she
  enjoyed serving on this board. She wants to avoid any conflict of interest due to her newly
  elected position on the County Council.

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